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Sir

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2009, wherein a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on May 17, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks

Attachment: JP3102000 and the English Abstract thereof.